

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: **Jon A. Wolff,**
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Examiner: **Michael Wilson**

For: **Intravascular Delivery of Nucleic Acid**

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents
and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This Amendment responds to the Office Action dated January 8, 2002. Kindly amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

Applicants hereby submit a version with markings to show changes made. Please amend claim 40 as follows:

40. An in vivo polynucleotide delivery device for applying pressure to mammalian skin [for *in vivo* delivery of a polynucleotide to a mammalian cell], comprising: a cuff described by the process of [used] applying the cuff over mammalian skin to impede blood flow thereby increasing delivery efficiency of the polynucleotide to [the] a mammalian cell.